

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

TERRY VICTOR CLAPP

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For: **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR
TRANSFORMING OPTICAL WAVE MODES**

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Examiner: Mary A. El Shammaa

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CUSTOMER NO. 23720

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
DATED MAY 21, 2008**

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action dated May 21, 2008, for which the three-month date for response is August 21, 2008.

It is believed that no fee is due; however, should any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason, the Director is authorized to deduct said fees from Williams, Morgan & Amerson, P.C. Deposit Account No. 50-0786/2143.000400. If an extension of time is required to enable this paper to be timely filed and there is no separate Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, this paper is to be construed as also constituting a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for a period of time sufficient to enable this document to be timely filed.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested. The amendments to the claims begin on page 3 and the remarks begin on page 11.